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ANCHORAGE MAN SENTENCED TO 15 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR ILLEGALLY POSSESSING A FIREARM

Anchorage, Alaska – United States Attorney Nelson P. Cohen announced that on July 10, 2007, David Geozos, a resident of Anchorage, was sentenced in federal court in Anchorage to 15 years on his conviction of being a felon in possession of a handgun.

United States District Court Judge Ralph R. Beistline imposed the sentence on Geozos, age 47.

According to information presented to the court by Special Assistant United States Attorney John J. Novak, Geozos was in possession of a .45 caliber semi-automatic handgun and 4.9 grams of crack cocaine when he was arrested on February 24, 2006 by officers of the Anchorage Police Department Vice Unit.

Prior to imposing sentence, Judge Beistline noted that he did not have discretion under federal law to impose any sentence less that the 15 years in light of Geozos having previously been convicted of three felony crimes of violence.

Mr. Cohen commended the members of the Anchorage Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives for the investigation leading to the successful prosecution of Geozos.

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